

## We Plant a Grain of Mustard Seed

Mary Bryan Matney, 1990

Matt. 13:31-32; Mark 4:30-32; Luke 13:18-19;  
John 13:34-35; 15:12-17

1 We plant a grain of mus - tard seed, and in our faith we find  
2 Our ac - tions, more than words, de - fine how love's ex - am - ple feeds  
3 When stooped to lend a help - ing hand, we find a touch that heals,  
4 Make love our pur - pose, love our aim, for love en - dures all things.

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5 So may our new be - gin - nings prove,  
like liv - ing bread and wine,  
that through our com - mon hu - man love  
we taste what is di - vine;  
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6 Our lives will be ful - filled and blessed  
if through the seeds we've sown  
and by the love that we pro - fess  
the love of Christ is known;  
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Mary Bryan Matney and Sally Ann Morris wrote this hymn in 1990 for the marriage of friends. In 1992, it won first prize in its category in a hymnwriting competition sponsored by the Charlotte, North Carolina, chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

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